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To The Democrats of Kent County.

Since early in March of this year the Chestertown Transcript has been indulging in repeated comments concerning the method of nominating county commissioners in the Democratic Primary Election in Kent county.

While the attitude assumed by this paper was calculated to mislead the voters, and while many of the statements were offensive to me personally, I had concluded to make no public comment upon this question, being firmly convinced that the publication of the clear and impartial official opinion of Attorney-General Straus would make plain the entire matter, and would set at rest all occasion for doubt for controversy.

The Attorney-General's opinion has not done this to the editors of the Transcript, and by a willful misconstruction of his words and intentions the question at issue is presented to the public by the Transcript in a grossly false and confusing manner.

I deem it my duty, therefore, occupying the official party position of Chairman of the State Central Committee of Kent county, to explain to the people the exact and correct condition of affairs, in case the Transcript should have created some doubt in their minds. There is a general impression that a county commissioner is a commissioner of a *district*. The impression most probably finds foundation from the fact that each commissioner, upon the organization of the board, is assigned a district, or a district and parts of other districts, for road supervision, and for road work alone a county commissioner has entire supervision of the territory so assigned to him. Each and every county commissioner, however, is a commissioner of the *entire county*. That is the law, and it provides that there shall be five commissioners for the county.

That a county commissioner is a commissioner of the whole county, and not of a district, cannot be even disputed; and if this fact, which is fundamental, be borne in mind, a sound solution of this question can be much more readily attained.

My letter to Mr. Vandiver, Chairman of the State Central Committee, under date of March 3d, 1909, and published in the KENT NEWS May 15th, 1909, explains in detail the methods by which nominations for the office of county commissioner were made in Kent county from 1879 to 1907, inclusive, and I refer those who care for a full explanation of those methods to that letter.

It is sufficient to say here that in 1879 and in 1907 the nominations for county offices were made by the direct vote of all the voters throughout the county, except the nominations for county commissioners. These nominations were restricted to the districts where the candidates resided. The only reason for taking 1879 as the starting point is because the direct vote for nominations was used that year and not used again until 1907. During all the remainder of this period nominations were made by the convention plan, and candidates for county commissioner were selected from the several districts of the county. Since the separation of the county into seven districts the nominations of county commissioners have been practically from the old five district divisions.

From 1879 to 1907, and including the latter year, the method of nominating all candidates for county offices and the selection of delegates to all conventions, State, congressional and Judicial, was under the supervision of the county committees.

Kent county has no primary election law. The county committee was a law unto itself. It has entire and absolute power and authority to call primary elections to provide who should and who should not vote, to say how the primaries should be held, by the convention plan, Crawford county plan, a part of each, or any other way it desired. This committee was subject to no limitations and there was no legal redress from its action in the government of primaries.

The method invoked and followed by this committee of submitting the nominations of county commissioners to the respective districts of the county in 1879 and 1907 was under no law. Nor was the practice of county conventions during the remainder of the time in nominating county commissioners from certain sections or districts under a law. It was a party custom and on the only two occasions when the direct vote for candidates was employed in 1879 and 1907 that custom was adopted.

A discussion of the wisdom and propriety of continuing that party custom with a Crawford county plan primary in the absence of a primary election law would serve no profitable or beneficial purpose. Reasonable argument could be made in favor of either view. A correspondent from Rock Hall to the KENT NEWS on May 15th advanced a very forceful reason against the continuance of the custom.

The powers, duties and functions generally of party committees are now in an entirely different situation from what they were formally.

The Legislature of 1908 passed a Primary Election Law and also a Corrupt Practices Act, both of which apply to Kent county. The duties, powers, etc., of the committees are defined in those Acts.

Nothing that a party committee did in the past has any force or weight whatever now.

The Acts of Assembly, the written law, are now the sole guide and resort must be had to that written law for every action of the party committees in preparing for, calling and conducting a primary election.

In anticipation of the primaries now called, the question arose whether in a primary under the Crawford county plan candidates for county commissioner would have to submit their candidacies to the voters of the party throughout the entire county or could a call be made by which their candidacies could be restricted to the voters of the party of the district (or to the voters of two districts combined as the case may be) in which the candidates reside.

This is purely a legal proposition and cannot be influenced by past practice or custom, nor can wild hysteria and whining churlishness deflect the reasoner from its thoughtful consideration.

The Primary Election Law controls the whole matter and the determination of the question depends solely upon the construction of that law. Under that law, the State Central Committee can determine whether nominations for county offices shall be by county convention or by the direct vote of the voters of the party.

Nominations by convention are those which are generally called the district plan, that is each district selects a certain number of delegates who meet in county convention and make the nominations. There is no direct vote for any candidate; the vote is for delegates in each district. This is the antithisis of the Crawford county plan. The sentiment in Kent county was so universal for the direct vote (Crawford county plan) that there was no thought at any time of having any other method of nominations. The district or county convention plan was never seriously considered, indeed never considered at all.

I desire to make the distinction plain. The district plan means nominations by convention. The direct vote or Crawford County plan means nominations by voting directly for the candidates and the candidate for any office who receives the plurality of votes is the nominee. There is no convention under the Crawford County plan.

The Crawford County plan having been so unalterably settled by the wishes of the people, and the method of nominating candidates for county commissioner under this plan being practically the only serious question, I determined to procure the opinion of the Attorney General on that point, as the opinion of that official is the law of all matters pertaining to the Primary Election Law, and it is the binding duty of everyone who has any function to perform under the law to accept and follow his opinion.

It is not necessary, but I may be permitted to say, that some months ago and before conferring with the Attorney General or with Mr. Vandiver, I had reached the conclusion, and so expressed myself, that the State Central Committee had no right to provide for the nominations of county commissioners under the Crawford County plan, except by requiring the candidates to submit their candidacies to the people of the entire county, and that they could not be run by districts. Because the law provides that all candidates may be nominated by direct vote and there is no distinction in the law between a candidate for county commissioner and a candidate for any other county office. To have enabled the State Central Committee to restrict the running of a candidate for county commissioner to a district or a certain number of districts, the Primary Election Law would have had to make special provision for such restriction and it might not have been constitutional to do that, as the office is co-extensive with the county. There is in the law one limitation to the right of the State Central Committee to use their discretion in calling primaries by the convention plan or direct vote, and that limitation is as follows:

"It shall not be lawful for the governing body of any political party whose rules and regulations or customs heretofore have been to nominate any of its candidates for any public office or offices by direct vote of the members of such party in any county or according to the method known as the Crawford County Plan, to deprive the registered voters in such county of such privilege to vote directly for candidates for such office or offices without first submitting any proposed change in this regard to the vote of the registered voters of said party in any county of this State."

Mr. Straus' instruction in relation to this provision of the law states: "In counties where under the rules or custom of the governing body of the party, the Crawford County System has prevailed, no change can be made until it has been approved by the people."

Had it been the rule or regulation or custom to nominate candidates for office in Kent county according to the Crawford County plan, or had the Crawford County plan prevailed in the county the State Central Committee would not have had the right to provide for primaries this year under the convention plan until that plan had been approved by the people.

The State Central Committee has not called the primary election under the convention plan though they had the full power to do so. They had this power because neither the rules or regulations or customs heretofore have been to nominate the candidates for office according to the Crawford County plan, nor has the Crawford County plan prevailed in Kent county.

Twice in thirty years candidates for office were nominated by direct vote of the members of the party, except candidates for county commissioner, whose candidacies were restricted to districts. This was the Crawford county plan in part.

Every other year, thirteen times since 1879 and almost constantly before that year, nominations were made by the district or convention plan. Which plan has prevailed in Kent county, the plan used thirteen times or the plan used twice? This year the direct vote or Crawford county plan is adopted in its entirety. There had to be one method or the other, direct vote or convention.

The opinion of the Attorney General positively advised the State Central Committee that the nominations of candidates for county commissioners could not be restricted to districts and that candidates for that office must run through the county. His opinion has been published and I will not recite it here.

The law is *imperative* that the candidates for county commissioner must run through the entire county under the Crawford county plan. The State Central Committee has *no choice or discretion* and the committee most positively cannot restrict their candidacies to a district or districts.

No matter of what element of the party the State Central Committee were composed, if they adoped the Crawford county plan, they would have been obliged to run the commissioners through the county.

The State Central Committee of course accepted and followed the Attorney General's advice and the Transcript need have no apprehension that the Chairman of that Committee will not assume any and all responsibility for this action and for the performance of any duty devolving upon him as a party official.

Other counties have in the past conducted nominations for county commissioner in the same way that our county has done in the past. They sought the Attorney General's advice this year and were given the same advice he gave us. This year these counties will run their candidates for county commissioner through the entire county. Talbot, Queen Annes and Harford, I know will do this and I am sure that no county in the State will this year restrict the nominations of the county commissioners to any district or sections of the county, if they adopt the Crawford county plan of nominations.

If this explanation clear away some of the doubts and make plainer some confusion which the people might have felt from the intentionally misleading statements and contemptibly fallacious utterances of the Transcript, I shall be gratified.

The position assumed by this paper on this question has been unwarranted by fact or law and is unworthy of a decent newspaper.

The sole purpose has been to mislead the people, without a particle of regard for right or wrong, legality or illegality, truthfulness or untruthfulness.

When the editors of the Chestertown Transcript criticise the Chairman of the State Central Committee for seeking the opinion of the Attorney-General in regard to the county commissioners question, or any question relating to the Primary Election Law, they are narrow minded and self-sufficient.

If the law is so plain that the opinion of the Attorney-General ought not to have been sought, how does it happen that they have given it such a manifestly erroneous construction, as is proven by the Attorney-General's decision?

When they say that if the State Central Committee determine to run the candidates in any other manner than the governing body, the County Executive Committee, decided they should be run two years ago, it would be an illegal primary, and the party could not be bound by such a primary; they present a legal question which can be and should be taken to the courts for decision, as the primaries have since been called in a different way from that of two years ago, so far as the county commissioners are concerned.

The State Central Committee does not want an illegal primary, nor a primary by which the people will not be bound, and no one should not participate in any primary unless he intends to abide by the result. If for one moment they believed that this call is illegal, they would take the case to the courts. They don't believe it and did not believe it when they made the assertion. I would heartily welcome a test of legality and challenge the editors of the Transcript or any one else to bring a suit to determine this phase of the question.

In the last issue of the paper they recede from this position, and since the call has been made they dare not accuse the State Central Committee, the official committee of the party under the law, of doing an illegal act for a wrongful purpose. When they say or intimate that I have done an injustice to my fellow men, they say what is absolutely false. When they say that the method adopted of running the candidates for county commissioner is a trick, they say what is absolutely false. When they say that the method adopted is a deception, they say what is absolutely false, and I employ the word without qualification. When they say that they have contended all along that the State Central Committee could do as they pleased in the matter of running county commissioners they purposely disregarded what they said two weeks before, namely, that any other plan than that which prevailed two years ago would be absolutely illegal and could not be so run under the law.

When with brazen effrontery they garble and distort the official opinion of the Attorney-General, and for purposes of evasion and concealment quote only a part of a sentence of the opinion to sustain their opinion, they wrong the people and insult the highest legal officer of the State.

I charge the editors of the Chestertown Transcrips with wilfully misconstruing the official opinion of Attorney-General Straus with the deliberate purpose of deceiving the Democratic voters of Kent county.

As this is the last time I will address the people of the county before the primary election, I desire to add two things:

First. The organization element of the Democratic party will faithfully observe the Corrupt Practices Act, in letter and spirit, and the State Central Committee will suffer no violation of this act, either directly or indirectly.

Second. If the organization candidates be defeated at the primaries, I assure the candidates who may be nominated the loyal support of the organization.

LEWIN W. WICKES,
Chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee of Kent County.

Blue Suits

Blue Serges, Striped Worsteds, Blue Cheviots and Blue Mixtures are very stylish and popular, $8 to $25 in Young Men's sizes, $5 to $18 in Boys' 15 to 19 year sizes. Blues and Greys, with Green and Brown Mixtures, are the big sellers, and we have them in all the new colorings and patterns. All the new shapes and makes in Straw Hats for Men and Young Men, 50 cents to $5; Dunlap's, Stetson's and our own brand. Summer Shirts, Underwear, Neckwear, Collars and Fancy Hose. Patent Colt, Russett and Black Shoes in the new shapes and at right prices.

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Wilmington

THERE were three bids on road of 3 3-10 miles from Chestertown to Kennedyville, the lowest being by Juniata Paving Co., $30,734.64.

PUBLIC SALE OF

Threshing Rig

In Millington, Kent County, Md.

BY VIRTUE of the power of sale contained in a chattel mortgage from Paul C. Price and Enoch J. King to Frick & Company, dated the 9th day of July, 1907, and recorded among the land records of Kent county, which mortgage was duly assigned to the Chambersburg Trust Co., and by the latter company to William W. Beck, the undersigned will offer at public sale in the town of Millington on the afternoon of

THURSDAY, June 10th, 1909,

at 4 o'clock, the following property:

1 Frick Company 9½ by 10 Traction Engine, complete, No. 12972; 1 Frick Company 26x62 in. Landis Eclipse Thresher, complete, No. 3322, with wind straw stacker, belts, etc.; 1 Parsons Band Cutter and Self Feeder, No. 21619; 1 Peoria Bagger and Weigher; 1 Drive Belt, 150 ft. long, 9 in. wide by 4 ply; 1 20x20 Canvas Cover. All of above machinery is nearly new and has had very little wear.

TERMS OF SALE—One half of the purchase money cash on day of sale, and balance in three months from day of sale, or all cash at option of purchaser. The deferred payments to bear interest from day of sale and to be secured to the satisfaction of the undersigned.

WILLIAM W. BECK, ASSIGNEE.
John H. Greenwood, Auctioneer. m29-ts

Public Sale of

PERSONAL PROPERTY

In Rock Hall, Kent County, Md.

BY VIRTUE of authority obtained from the Orphans' Court for Kent county, Maryland, the undersigned, administrators of Melville A. Wilkins, deceased, will offer at public sale on the property occupied by the late Melville A. Wilkins, at Denby, near Rock Hall, Kent county, Maryland, on

Saturday, May 29th, 1909

beginning at 6 o'clock P. M., the following described Personal Property:

2 Head of Horses

ONE BLACK MARE, good driver and worker.
ONE FINE BAY MARE, with colt by her side.

Lot of Store Goods and Fixtures

Including Two Sets of Scales and Weights, Show Case, Paper Cutter, 2 Oil Tanks, Lamps, Coffee Mill and STORE GOODS, including Tin, Agateware, Underwear, Tobacco, Groceries and other articles to be found in a general store.

TERMS OF SALE.—All sums of $10 and under, cash; over that amount a credit of Five Months will be given on a bankable note with approved security.

EMMA A. WILKINS, WM. W. BECK, } ADM'RS.
JOHN H. GREENWOOD, Auct'r. my15-3t.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

—OF—

TWO Valuable Farms

NEAR CECILTON, MD.

BY VIRTUE of a decree of the Circuit Court of Cecil county, the undersigned, Trustee, will offer at public sale in front of the Court House Door in Elkton, Maryland, on

Tuesday, June 1, 1909

Between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 12 o'clock noon, the following VALUABLE REAL ESTATE:

FARM NO. 1

known as "THE LAWS FARM," or by whatsoever name or names the same may be called, situated, lying and being in the First Election District of Cecil coudty, Maryland, situated about two miles from Cecilton, and lying on the west side of the public road leading from Earleville to Fredericktown, and adjoining the farms of Mrs. Charlotte R. Ward and Mrs. Annie K. Veazey. THIS FARM CONTAINS

206 Acres of Land

more or less, and is the same farm which was conveyed to William Knight by Alex. Laws and wife by deed bearing the date of the 23rd day of March, 1865, and duly executed, acknowledged and recorded in Liber W. H. R., No. 7, Follo 502, one of the Land Record Books for Cecil county, Maryland.

THE BUILDINGS consist of

Good Frame Dwelling

AND STABLE, BARN and all other buildings necessary for farming purposes.

This Farm is within two miles of Postoffice, Churches and School, and is under good fencing and high state of cultivation. Grain and other produce delivered to Fredericktown from which point there is daily connection with Baltimore by steamboat.

FARM NO. 2

known as "THE PRICE FARM," situate on the west side of the public road leading from Bohemia Bridge to Earleville, and adjoining the farms of Thomas Roe and George W. Padley.

THIS FARM CONTAINS

208 Acres of Land

MORE OR LESS, and is a part of the same tract of land which was conveyed by two deeds, one of which to William Knight by John H. Price and wife by deed bearing date of the 17th day of April, 1855, and duly executed, acknowledged and recorded in Liber H. H. M., No. 8, Folio 552, etc., one of the Land Record Books for Cecil county, Maryland; and the other to Julia Harrison by Robert T. Barton and others, by deed bearing date the 17th day of November, 1884, and duly executed, acknowledged and recorded in Liber J. A. D., No. 8, Folio 75, another of the aforesaid Land Record Books; and being the same tract of land for which there is on file among the papers in this cause a plot of a survey.

THE BUILDINGS consist of

Good Frame Dwelling

AND STABLE, BARN and other outbuildings necessary for the farm. The fencing is in good order.

This Farm is situated in a fine agricultural section and is within three miles of Earleville Postoffice, and a short distance from Churches and School, and within one and one-half miles of the wharf at Bohemia Bridge, from which point grain can be shipped to market.

TERMS:

One-third cash, balance in one and two year installments, credit payments to draw interest from date of sale and to be secured to the satisfaction of the trustee; or all cash, at the purchasers' option.

A deposit of $250 will be required of the purchaser on each farm on the day of sale.

The wheat crop will be reserved by the owners, and the taxes will be adjusted to the time when sale is confirmed.

Cost of Deed, &c. to be paid by the purchaser.

WILLIAM M. KNIGHT, TRUSTEE.
GEORGE W. PADLEY, Auct'r. my8-ts.

Administrators' Sale

—OF—

Two Wood Lots

IN THE FIFTH ELECTION DISTRICT OF KENT COUNTY, MD.

UNDER and by virtue of the power and authority vested in us by the last will and testament of Columbus A. Leary, the undersigned, administrators c. t. a., will offer at public sale on the property in front of the store of Ulysses Coleman, one mile from Edesville, on

SATURDAY, 19th of June, 1909

between the hours of 2 and 3 o'clock P. M., ALL THOSE TWO VALUABLE LOTS OF LAND described as follows:

Lot No. 1

IS A WOOD LOT WELL SET IN TIMBER, lying on the east side of the public road leading from Edesville to Rock Hall, and adjoining on the north the lands of Mrs. Myra Maslin, the heirs of William Coleman on the south, and the lands of John E. Hadaway and Walter H. Hadaway on the east; which said lot of land is supposed to contain about 14.005 ACRES OF LAND, more or less, (reserving and excepting therefrom and thereout the two acres of the said tract immediately adjoining the public road, which will not be sold), but all the rest and residue of said lot of land will be offered and sold subject to a right of way over the entire tract as now laid down and used along the lines of the lands of Mrs. Myra Maslin and Dr. Walter O. Selby.

Lot No. 2

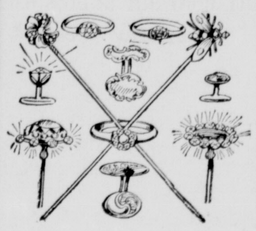
IS A WOOD LOT containing, or supposed to contain ABOUT 11.38 ACRES OF LAND, more or less. It lies on the west side of the public road leading from Rock Hall to Edesville, and lies immediately in the rear of the lands of Dr. Walter O. Selby. It is bounded on the south by the lands of John Diehl, and on the north and west by the lands of Isaac L. Leary. This lot has a fine piece of meadow land, with a stream of running water, and has on it some excellent timber.

Both of these lots are extremely desirable for building and other purposes, each of them is well set with timber, and they afford a fine opportunity to any one wishing lands in this desirable section of Kent county. They are described in a deed from James M. Scone and wife to the late Columbus A. Leary, bearing date the 27th day of December, 1876 duly executed, acknowledged and recorded in Liber D. C. B., No. 2, Follos 408, &c., one of the Land Record Books for Kent county aforesaid, as on reference to same will more fully and at large appear, and each of them is known as a part of a tract of land called "Beck's Content."

Each lot is particularly described by a survey and plot of each made by Gilbert B. Taylor, Surveyor, in the month of March, 1909, as will appear by reference to said plot and survey now on view at the office of Elmer E. Leary.

TERMS OF SALE cash on the day of sale. All title papers at the cost of the purchaser. Possession will be given at once.

MARY M. LEARY,
ELMER E. LEARY,
Adm'rs c. t. a. of Columbus A. Leary.
HOPE H. BARROLL, Attorney.
J. H. GREENWOOD, Auct'r. my22-ts.



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Also the following articles for sale: 1 Lot of Chairs, 1 two-third Wire Mattress, 1 small Grindstone, set in cast iron frame and wood block; 1 Refrigerator, 7 8 foot Step Ladder, 1 Cook Stove, No. 7, used 2 months only; 1 Bench and Pipe Vise, two in one; 1 Stock and Die, for thread cutting; 1 set Block and Falls, 3 Telephones, 1 lot Harness, 1 Hand Corn Cracker, 1 New Pick. These articles can be seen at my residence, Washington avenue, and be bought very cheap for cash only.

CHARLES S. SMITH,
my8. Chestertown, Md

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Cover your floors with Cook's Linoleum, it wears, 2 yd wide....95c

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Genuine 25c Japanese Matting for only 22c

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100-Piece Dinner Set, $10.00, now only $8.50
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75c Bleached Bed Sheets, 81x90, for..... 62½c
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18c Pillow Cases, 45x35.....16c
16c Pillow Cases, 42x66.....14c
13c Pillow Cases, 45x36 .....12c
12c Pillow Cases, 42x36 .....11c
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10% discount on all our beautiful Hand-Painted China for ONE WEEK. Fill up your china closet while you have the opportunity.

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Kitchen Bracket Lamps, complete, only 25c
$3.00 Decorated Lamps, $1.59.

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15c Flour Sifter only 10c
15c Tin Dish Pan, only..... ..... 9c
35c Coffee Pot, only.....19c
30c Coffee Pot, only 15c
30c Dish Pan, only 20c
40c Dish Pan only 28c
8c Pie Plates, only 4½c
85c 12 quart Stew Kettle, only 68c
65c 10 quart Stew Kettle, only 58c
Other bargains in Tin and Agateware to be sold next week.

LOOK LOOK
ON WEDNESDAY of next week every purchase of $1.00 we are offering one 35c BROOM for only 10 cents. One to a customer.

DAILY QUOTATIONS paid for Eggs next week. All country produce in trade.

Yours for business.

JAS. T. BROWN & SONS,
EDESVILLE, MD.

PROPOSALS FOR COAL.

WANTED 50 TONS OF NUT COAL (Lehigh) for use at the Kent County Almshouse. Bids for same will be received by the President of the Board of Trustees on or before June 2nd, 1909. Coal to be delivered from August 1 to 15, at Chestertown.

By order of Board
my8-tf. PHILIP G. WILMER, President.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF

A House and Lot of Land

Near Cliff City Wharf in Quaker Neck.

THE undersigned, by virtue of a power contained in a mortgage from Emory J. Crouch and wife to Richard D. Hynson dated the 10th day of August, 1901, and recorded among the land records of Kent county in Liber J. T. D. No. 5, folio 410, which said mortgage has been duly assigned by the administrators of Richard D. Hynson, deceased, to Carolene L. Hynson, and further assigned by the said Carolene L. Hynson to William M. Slay, will offer at public sale at the Court House door in Chestertown, Maryland, on

TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 1909

AT 11.30 O'CLOCK A. M.

ALL THAT LOT

situate in the Seventh Election District of Kent county lying on the east side of the public road leading to Cliff City wharf, containing ONE-HALF OF AN ACRE OF LAND, more or less, being a parallelogram of 90 ft. by 360 feet.

Improved by a TWO AND A HALF-STORY

FRAME DWELLING

Will make a nice home for a party with limited means.

TERMS OF SALE—One-half of purchase money to be paid in cash on day of sale, the balance in one year with interest from day of sale, to be secured by the bond or note of the purchaser with sureties to the satisfaction of the undersigned. All title papers at the expense of the purchaser.

m15-ts WILLIAM M. SLAY, ASSIGNEE.

MONEY TO LOAN.

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WM. M. SLAY,
a2-tf. Attorney.

FARMER'S SHEDS AND FEED STABLES
ON CROSS STREET, CHESTERTOWN.

I am prepared to care for teams, water and feed in a satisfactory manner. Those wishing to drive in and hitch I will look after their teams while in town for only a dime. I have plenty of shed room for carriages.

W. B. STAFFORD.
m8-tf Chestertown, Md.